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## AMENDMENT PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.116 AND SUBMISSION OF DECLARATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.132

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Sir:

In response to the Official Action (final rejection) issued on August 14, 2003, Applicants submit the following amendments and remarks. Amendments to the claims are set forth in the listing of claims which begins at page 2 of this paper. As well, Applicants' remarks begin at page 18 of this paper.